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THIRTY YEARS AND A CATALOG OF CORRESPONDENCE

Harbuck receives Bronze Star medal

by Ferrin Cox
Publisher

Dallas Harbuck spent a career in the military, retiring as a 1st Sgt. and knows proper procedures can sometimes become a bureaucratic mess. It was no exception when he was asked to help re-establish the paper trail to confirm the Bronze Star medal he (Harbuck) earned while serving in Vietnam during 1965.

Harbuck has assembled copies of over 50 pieces of correspondence which he has either sent or received in an effort to correct the records on this award. The story climaxed on November 18th, 1994 when the Department of the Army issued orders authorizing the presentation of the Bronze Star to Dallas R. Harbuck, U. S. Army retired.

Thirty years after his heroic deeds were officially recognized and after he had retired from military service, Harbuck was officially awarded the Bronze Star medal in ceremonies at Ft. Riley, KS.

Ironically, 1st Sgt. Harbuck thought he was supposed to receive Army Commendation Medal, (the third of his outstanding career). However, after the commander who originally recommended him for meritorious service reviewed his records of the events, it was determined that it was in fact the more prestigious Bronze Star which had been recommended.

Both Harbuck and his former commander, now retired Lt. Colonel Max Tadlock, were invited to Ft. Riley for the presentation ceremony.

Travel orders authorized the two to travel to Ft. Riley on March 27, 1995 for three days of ceremonies and other official activities.

While in Kansas for the ceremonies, Harbuck accepted an invitation to undergo PT training with his old unit. After returning to Coffee County, AL, he reflected favorably on that participation and the warm, enthusiastic reception he received from the young men of the present D Bury, 1st Bn, 5th Arty.

Harbuck was serving with Battery D, 1st Battalion, 5th Field Artillery at the time of his actions and this unit, the oldest artillery unit still on active duty, is now stationed at the Kansas base. The presentation was made by the former commander of the unit who originally recommended him for the honor.

The narrative accompanying Harbuck's award recommendation read as follows: "Sergeant Dallas R. Harbuck is cited for outstanding meritorious service during the period 1 October 1965 to 30 September 1966, while serving as 105 Howitzer Section Chief, D. Battery, 1st Battalion, 5th Artillery, 1st Infantry Division in the Republic of Vietnam. Throughout this period, Sergeant Harbuck consistently exhibited professionalism, leadership skills, and courage in the face of the enemy. He mentored and led his soldiers through many demanding missions, providing superb artillery support for the 1st Infantry Division. During one of the battery's tactical movements, an enemy soldier hurled an incendiary device onto an ammunition trailer. Sergeant Harbuck immediately dismounted his vehicle, unhooked the trailer which was by then engulfed in flames, and enlisted the help of others to tow it into a clearing away from the convoy. As the commander began to approach, Sergeant Harbuck ran in front of him to prevent him from nearing the vehicle only seconds before it exploded. In the face of many hardships, Sergeant Harbuck never faltered and continuously provided encouragement to his men. Sergeant Harbuck's outstanding performance of duty was in keeping with the proudest traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit upon him, the 1st Infantry Division, and the United States Army."

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The papers assembled by Harbuck begin with dates as far back as 1966. They include correspondence with various military headquarters and elected officials, including Senator Richard Shelby, Representative Terry Everett, the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the President. His former commander, in frustration, even wrote the TV news program "60 Minutes," about what was in several letters referred to as "BS" surrounding the long delay in correcting the records to allow the presentation of the 30 year old award.

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County BOE announces personnel changes

by Marvin McLwain
Editor

In a special called meeting of the Coffee County School Board, new teachers were hired while others were transferred within the system.

Superintendent Clayton Bryant

Governor James signs bill correcting employee retirement system problem

by Marvin McLwain
Editor

Alabama Governor Fob James has signed into law the legislation correcting problems relating to retired employees who want to work part-time for governmental agencies.

Reportedly, the bill was brought about when a retired state trooper found out that he was unable to be employed by any agency which was a member of the Alabama State Employee Retirement System.

The state trooper affected filed a lawsuit in civil court to contest "the legality" of his being denied a job and compensation with an organization participating in the state's retirement system.

Meanwhile, a move was started to get legislation enacted correcting the problem.

Red Cross Blood Drive to be held in Elba July 20th

In emergency situations, help can't wait. There is no time to donate for yourself or to find a family member or friend who will donate for you - you must rely on blood from the community supply.

Individuals living and working in Elba and surrounding communities are encouraged to come out and donate on Thursday, July 20, from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church located on West Davis Street in Elba.

To be eligible to donate you must be at least 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds, and be in good health. There is no age limit for senior citizens who wish to give if they are in good health.

Individuals who have not donated within the past 56 days as well as those who have never donated before are encouraged to do so during this drive.

For more information call the Red Cross at 1-800-GIVE-LIFE.

explained that "transferred teachers" consisted mainly of reassignment and not moving from one school to another.

Bryant noted that all applicants were carefully screened and those considered for hiring were interviewed by himself and by school principals who would be supervising the individuals.

The recommendation to hire was made jointly by the superintendent and the principals.

Prior to approving the personnel changes and employment recommendations, board members entered into an executive session to review personnel files.

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BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

This is a patriotic time of the year in America. We always get a special feeling from all the flag waving, this year was no different. A special church program Sunday got us to thinking how differently people look at life in the good old U. S. A. Let us paint you the picture which brought on the thoughts. The American flag was being displayed by one of the youth in attendance and church members were repeating the Pledge of Allegiance. As often happens, we were overcome with an emotion of pride which is hard to explain to "non-believers." It really got tough when six more of the youth group sang a melody of patriotic songs. We like every one of those youngsters and America. When the preacher noted the emotional reaction was ABOUT to get to him, we were in the very back "blowing nose and wiping eyes." It was not the first time we reacted to the American flag and patriotic songs in that manner and hopefully it will not be the last time. All that is still going through our mind and we marvel at how much we differ from the flag burners and acknowledge actually being puzzled as to why it is necessary for Senator Richard Shelby and other U. S. Senators to even consider laws making it illegal to mistreat the American flag?

Before leaving that subject there is a confession due. Veterans were honored in that church service Sunday and it was suggested all veterans wear their military uniform ... the preacher did, but not us. If there is any question why, just picture a size 40 waist in a sharply tailored, military cut suit with a size 32 waist band. We were the unit form with pride and took special pride in the fact we never, even got in trouble about our clothing ... once we understood not to tie a necktie with a full Windsor knot. At this stage of life, we were not about to destroy that image.

On Friday the FAX machine brought a copy of a two page letter to President Clinton from Alabama Senators Howell Heflin and Richard Shelby. They were calling for Clinton to ask the military base closing commission (BRAC) to reconsider their recommendations to close Ft. McClellan. That obviously isn't going to happen and we understand why. If he does it for Alabama, California would expect the same treatment, as would every other state. People are already urging the president to reject the entire package of base closures. The president can reject the entire report, which is the only way he can have any further influence on the process. However, that would put the issue right back, even deeper, in politics than it is now. History has shown the impossible task it is for the elected politicians to pick out a base or bases for closure. Therefore, for the benefit of the entire country, it is probably best the president accept the recommendations. He can then do his politicking for re-election by talking one-on-one with voters from the impacted areas.

The casino gambling issue is dying in the Alabama legislature. While proponents of the issue have not openly admitted it yet, we see them with little or no hope of even getting the matter to the voters, much less winning a majority of the voters. It can't be proven, but we are convinced it would have passed this year if the package of bills had been written to assure everyone was on equal footing. Instead they were prepared by certain gambling interest, and suspected of being for the same certain gambling interest. Those high-priced experts didn't heed our advice ... but then it was free advice and perceived as just that. Now, we doubt anyone in this state can get a casino or a lottery bill passed for some time to come ... at least not until after casinos cover the Indian reservations around the state.

THE FOUR WAY TEST

of the things we Think, Say or Do

FIRST - Is It The Truth?
SECOND - Is It Fair To All Concerned?
THIRD - Will It Build GOOD WILL And BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
FOURTH - Will It Be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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GUEST EDITORIAL

'Of Thee I Sing' support for America

by Father Val Peter
For News USA

Alexis de Tocqueville, who visited America more than 150 years ago, explained to his fellow Frenchmen the greatness of America in these words: "America is great because America is good. When America ceases to be good, she will cease to be great."

When we celebrate Independence Day, it's a good time for us to think about these words, too:

*My country 'tis of thee
Sweet land of liberty
Of thee I sing.
Land where my fathers
died
Land of the Pilgrims'
pride
From every mountainside*

ELBA POLICE REPORT

JUNE 27 Thru JULY 3, 1995

The Elba Police Department, beginning Tuesday, June 27, 1995, investigated the following incidents: five thefts of property, one forgery, one unlawful breaking and entering of a vehicle, one attempted breaking and entering, one criminal trespass, one theft of services, eight harassments, one breaking and entering, one reckless endangerment, one criminal mischief, two assaults, and one burglary.

During the week, the following arrests were made: one for criminal trespass, one for assault, three for failure to appear, and one for violation of the boom box ordinance.

The following traffic citations were issued: two for an expired tag, one for speeding, one for driving while driver's license is revoked, two for driver's license required, one for parking in a handicapped parking zone, and one for no driver's license.

Daily activity highlights were as follows:
TUESDAY, JUNE 27 - River stage - 4:20 feet (6:15 a.m.); Rescue run to Elba Work Release (8:48 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Claxton Ave. (10:28 a.m.); Burglary reported at Grimes Auto Sales on U.S. Hwy. 84E (10:45 a.m.).

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28 - River stage - 4:50 feet (6:20 a.m.); Stove fire on Co. Rd. 363 (12:16 p.m.); Alarm at residence on Sunset Blvd. (1:06 p.m.); Rescue run from Elba General Hospital to Dothan (5:36 p.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Smith Ave. (10:37 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JUNE 29 - Alarm at MAKING OURSELVES CLEARER

The Elba Clipper wants to correct errors that appear in this newspaper. Any reader wishing to point out our errors, whether ours or those of our sources, should contact the editor at 897-2823. Corrections will appear promptly in this space.

Bulletin Board

S.S. REP. - Courtroom, 6th Tues. 12:30-1:30. Call FREE 1-800-772-1213.
ROTARY CLUB - Tuesday @ Noon - First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.
ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN. - Tues. 8:00 a.m. - Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.
ELBA CITY COUNCIL - 2nd & 4th Mondays, 6:15 p.m. - City Hall.
WATER & ELECTRIC - 2nd Mon. 5:15 p.m. - City Hall (after City Council meeting).
COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION - 2nd & 4th Mondays of each month - Community Room in Farm Center Complex @ New Brockton.
LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 6:30 p.m. - Senior Citizens Center.
ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 1st Thurs. 7:30 p.m. - Sup. Office.
AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Thurs. 7:30 p.m. - Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.
RESCUE SQUAD - 2nd & 4th Tues. 7:00 p.m. - Rescue Squad Building.
MASONIC LODGE 179 - 1st & 3rd Mondays of each month - 7 p.m. - Band Room @ Elba High School.
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER - Mon-Fri. 8:12 noon & 12:30-4:30 - New Brockton @ Farm Center Complex - 894-5554.
COFFEE COUNTY CO-OPERATIVES ASSN. - 3rd Sat. 3 p.m. - Club House.
COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN - 3rd Wed. Noon - Colony Inn, Enterprise.
AIRPORT AUTHORITY - 1st Tuesdays - 12 Noon - City Hall Conference Room.
AARP Meet every 3rd Tuesday night of the month.
CIVIL AIR PATROL - Every Monday 7:00 p.m. - Elba Airport Detachment Hangar.

ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital had the following persons admitted during the time period of June 27, 1995 through July 3, 1995:

They were: Gladys Brooks, Donna Boswell, Allen Howard, Sam Sawyer, Allen Johnson, Gladys Marshall, Mycoma Coleman, Sam McCollough, Lena Belle Weeks, James Parks, Johnny Grant, Bridget Driggers, Sara Smith, Kayla McWaters, Edna Danley, Pearlle Culver, Carolyn Wood, Billie Berry, and R. C. Boutwell.

Patients discharged during the same period of time were: Lucille Suckhouse, Hazel Bragg, Gladys Marshall, Allen Johnson, Gladys Brooks, Sam Sawyer, Lena Weeks, Donna Boswell, Carolyn Wood, Bridget Driggers, Sara Smith, Johnny Grant, James Parks, Pearlle Culver, and Billie Berry.

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Let freedom ring.

Freedom has flourished because of the moral virtues of its citizens. The American people have never been perfect. But Americans have, more often than not, been people who practiced the civil virtues of avoiding lying, cheating, stealing, sexual acting-out, violence, alcoholism and drugs to the degree necessary for family and neighborhoods to flourish.

In this way, they have shown their love for their country.

So, on this Independence Day, we should not think so much about the freedom from tyranny that our ancestors won.

We should give a lot more thought to what can happen when Americans

do not use their freedom wisely.

When family breakdown and violence become common in all of our cities, then we know that the only way our freedom can be made worthwhile once again is for all of us to undergo a moral renewal.

We need virtue, virtue, virtue. What is virtue? It is good habits.

What can you do this July to strike a blow for freedom? Embark on a program of moral renewal for yourself and your family.

There is nothing more powerful, nothing more profitable, nothing that will make this country better. Root out lying, cheating, stealing, sexual acting-out, violence, drugs and alcohol abuse. The more responsible we become, the stronger freedom will be.

FROM THE HOUSE

Congressman
Terry Everett



U.S. House Protects America's Stars and Stripes

The U.S. House of Representatives has hoisted the American flag out of harm's way just in time for the Fourth of July.

By a margin of 312 to 120, House lawmakers voted last week to protect the "Stars and Stripes" from desecration.

The flag protection amendment, which easily passed the House and now heads to the Senate, reads as follows: "The Congress and the states shall have the power to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States."

While Bill Clinton has voiced opposition to the flag protection legislation, he has not vetoed it because it is a Constitutional amendment.

It is said that the President of the United States, who himself refused military service, has once again decided by his words he will not defend the flag that Americans hold so dear.

Most Americans are surprised to learn that there already isn't a law safeguarding our national flag. Unfortunately, previous attempts to pass a flag protection law have either been defeated in Congress or struck down by the U.S. Supreme Court.

In 1989 and 1990, the Supreme Court voted down Congressionally-passed flag protection legislation out of concern that the laws limited free speech. In both cases, the flag protection laws were actually federal "statutes" and, therefore, subject to Supreme Court review.

The legislation passed by the House last week takes the form of a Constitutional amendment. If the flag amendment clears the Senate with a two-thirds majority, it will have to be ratified by at least 38 states to become part of the Constitution. The end result will be permanent flag protection.

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Letters To The Editors

Dear Editor,

The Elba Animal Shelter has taken on a new face. Each pen has a dog house, automatic feeders, and automatic waterers. There are 7 dogs up for adoption.

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A brown and black, very small, girl dog. This little dog is loaded with personality and very active.

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A little, brown, long-haired, girl dog that is so lovable and wants very badly to leave her visitors.

A medium, black and brown, male dog who would love to romp and play with some deserving boy or girl.

A beautiful large, long-haired, brown female dog that looks like she just performed in a dog show.

A little, brown and white dog who is very sad and unhappy to be locked up waiting to be put to sleep if not adopted.

Please consider taking one of these precious dogs into your family. It will love you much more than you can possibly love him or her. Your pet's shed will be given at the shelter, which you pay a small fee for. Owning a pet is one of the most rewarding and enjoyable experiences you will ever have.

If you can't work a pet into your family, go to the shelter and pet them. They are so innocent and lovable and, if not adopted, have such a short time to live.

Come on people of Elba, let's not allow another pet to be put to sleep. I have four dogs, three wonderful boys and one that was given to me, but who knows, I might be able to work in one more.

If you are interested in this worthy cause, contact City Hall.

Bernice Clay

Dear Editor:

Last week, House and Senate Republicans agreed to a seven-year plan that will balance the budget for the first time in more than a quarter of a century by eliminating wasteful and unnecessary government spending - without raising taxes.

The Republican plan does away with the Democratic trend of tax-and-spend policies by providing \$245 billion in tax relief for families

while achieving savings of \$898 billion by 2002. It also recognizes the essential needs of the nation, adding \$33 billion more for defense than President Clinton proposed in his latest budget. Most importantly, the GOP plan preserves, protects, and improves Medicare and does not touch Social Security.

Clinton's budget proposal, on the other hand, would leave the country with deficits of about \$200 billion every year for the next decade, according to the non-partisan Congressional Budget Office (CBO).

No wonder Clinton did not use the CBO's deficit projections when formulating his latest budget proposal. Democrat Sen. Bob Kerrey couldn't have said it better when he observed, "They cooked the numbers. He needs to get back to the CBO numbers."

The Republican budget is an honest budget. It will allow families to keep more of their hard-earned money. More importantly, it demonstrates the Republican Party's strong commitment to keep its promises to return fiscal responsibility to Washington, preserve the security of our nations' seniors, and restore the American Dream for our children.

Sincerely yours,
Roger McConnell
State Party Chairman

Dear Ferrin:

As sponsors and children of residents at the Elba Nursing Home, we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped to make the recent Ms. Elba Nursing Home Pageant such a success.

A special debt of gratitude is owed to Valerie Moore who worked as a cosmetologist at the Hair Studio. Valerie donated her time, skills, and supplies to do the make-up for the pageant contestants. This helped tremendously in making the contestants both look and feel pretty.

The social services director, activities staff, administration, and nursing staff are also to be commended. Their cooperation, efforts, and caring attitude helped to make this a special event, not only for the contestants, but also for other residents and all sponsors, friends, and relatives who attended.

Sincerely,
Maureen Morgan & Mary Holley

Dear Editor,

I read with much delight and relief the article in *The Enterprise Ledger* concerning the improvements at the Elba Dog Pound. It was a great relief after having been very upset upon reading a few weeks earlier of the terrible conditions under which the animals had previously been held. To the city's credit, a terrible problem has apparently been corrected. The sad part is that it was allowed to develop in the first place. All animals are God's creatures. Whether they are discarded or mistreated by someone is no fault of theirs. They should be treated with respect and love even if after all alternatives have been exhausted they do eventually have to be destroyed. That should be done as humanely as possible. They certainly do not deserve to be allowed to suffer the last few days they are in our care. I stress "our care" because that is what the Lord said was our duty to care for them. Possibly some citizens could volunteer a few minutes of their time each week to assist the city with the care of these animals. I am sure they would receive much satisfaction from this service.

I hope the good start is followed up with a continued effort to maintain the facility at the best level possible. I applaud the idea of an effort to encourage more adoption. After all "compassion is the root from which all other good human actions spring."

Jim Peacock
New Brockton

Letter to the Editor,

Last summer, Elba Elementary School and the Wiregrass Writing Project from Troy State University conducted a very successful "Think! Write! Workshop" for students in grades 2-6. The school is privileged to offer "Think! Write! Workshop" to Elba Elementary students for writing enrichment during this summer. (Registration forms were sent home before the end of school.) However, due to lack of registrations (only five students registered as of Thursday, June 29), we are in jeopardy of losing our workshop site in Elba. Our site is among only six in the region; therefore, we are lucky to be offered this opportunity.

As a member of the initial Wiregrass Writing Project, I strongly ad-

vocate this program's academic benefits and its personal rewards for the students. Elba Elementary students should not miss this writing experience. Registration information is provided on the front page of the Elba Clipper. Because of the dates of the workshop, please call TSU today to register. Students deserve every academic advantage. Elba City Schools can offer. I hope Elba Elementary parents will not allow our students to lose this opportunity.

Sincerely,
Judy F. Killingsworth
Curriculum Supervisor
Elba Elementary School

Dear Editor:

On Saturday, June 10, 1995, President Clinton called for "zero tolerance" for drunk driving. In his weekly radio address, he urged states to apply DUI penalties on young people under the age of 21 if they have a blood-alcohol content of just 0.02 percent, "the equivalent of one beer, one wine cooler, or one shot of alcohol."

Twenty-four states, and the District of Columbia, already have enacted zero tolerance laws of the sort he is requesting, and the citizens of Alabama can be extremely proud of their state legislature's progress this week to do the same.

As executive director of a non-profit agency combating alcohol and other drug abuse, I applaud the president's position, and join him in demanding strong, strict, and immediate action against teens who choose to drink and drive, thus placing themselves and other motorists at risk. As Mr. Clinton correctly pointed out, "It's illegal for people under 21 to drink at all, it should certainly be illegal for them to drink and drive."

Sincerely,
Alice Murphy, Executive Director
Council on Substance Abuse-NCADD

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Southeast AL Gas Dis. & Mead sign new contract

The Southeast Alabama Gas District and Mead Contract Board, Inc. announced their agreement for a 10-year contract for natural gas service by Southeast Gas to Mead at its Mairi Mill located approximately 22 miles above Eufaula, AL. The new contract is the first long-term agreement between the two for several years. Southeast Gas has served the plant's natural gas requirements since the mill began production on January 1, 1967. Southeast Gas, which is owned by 14 member municipalities in Southeast Alabama, provides gas service to homes, businesses, and industry throughout the Southeastern quarter of the state.

The agreement was finalized and executed by Southeast Gas and Mead at a meeting in Eufaula Monday night, June 26, 1995. The agreement was signed by James H. Smith, General Manager of Southeast Gas, and Boyd Smith, President and Resident Manager for Mead Contract Board.

The agreement was also signed by Mayor Jay Jaxon, who is a member of the Gas District's Board of Directors. "I believe we have reached an agreement that is truly beneficial for both parties, and I am gratified that Southeast Gas has been able to assure economical and reliable service to Mead today and for many years to come, under terms that protect the interests of the Gas District, its member municipalities, and all of the customers we serve," Mayor Jaxon said.

Mead's requirements for natural gas at the Mairi Mill have been increasing in recent years and now total about 12,500 MMBtu per day, or a total of 4,500,000 MMBtu per year. That total represents over 35% of Southeast Gas' total system deliveries annually.

AREA DEATH

WILLIAM RANDOLPH SMITH

William Randolph Smith, age 44 of Elba, Alabama, died Sunday, July 2, 1995 in a Dothan, AL hospital.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 4, 1995 from the Hayes Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Wayne Webber officiating.

Burial followed in the Pine Level Community Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing. Survivors include his mother, Florine Smith of Elba, AL; two brothers, Hollis Smith and Hubert Smith, both of Elba, AL; two sisters, Jeannette Graham of Opp, AL and Patricia Moulton of Elba, AL.

Band Boosters raising funds to send students to camp at Troy State

The Elba Tiger Band Boosters will be selling t-shirts on the square Friday, July 7th from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. and on Saturday July 8th from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. If it is raining, the sale will be moved to Legion Field.

The proceeds of this sale will be used to help the Elba Marching Tigers attending band camp at Troy State University.

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Mr. Hudson & Miss Johnson

Johnson-Hudson wedding planned for July 22

Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Johnson of Elba, AL, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Susan Daphne, to Troy Hamilton Hudson, son of Mr. Harold Hudson and Mrs. Mary Jo Hudson of Elba, AL.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Traxlow of New Brockton, AL. She is a 1991 graduate of Elba High School and is currently employed at Haywood's Discount Drugs in Elba, AL.

The groom-to-be is the grandson of Mrs. Lois Hudson and the late Mr. Louis Hudson of Elba, AL. He is a 1987 graduate of Elba High School and is currently employed at Dorsey Trailers in Elba, AL.

The wedding will be held Saturday, July 22, 1995 at 2:00 p.m., at Woodland Grove Baptist Church, New Brockton, AL, with the reception following in the fellowship hall. No formal invitations are being sent, all friends and relatives are invited to attend.



SINGING IN THE PARK... The Dixie Echoes will be in concert at the E.L. Turner, Jr. Recreational Park in Luverne on Saturday, July 15. The program will begin at 8:00 p.m. The Dixie Echoes will also be singing on the program. Bring lawn chairs for seating. If it rains, the singing will move to the Luverne High School Auditorium. \$5.00 admission will be charged at the gate. For additional information call (334) 527-3494.

TSUD Spring Quarter graduates announced

The following students completed their requirements for the bachelor's degree during the 1995 Spring Quarter at Troy State University at Dothan:

Arthur Estrada III of New Brockton, AL, Magna Cum Laude; and Benny Greer during the 1995 Spring Quarter at Troy State University at Dothan:

Enjoying the fun and celebrating the day with Bethany were: her parents, Tim and Jennifer (Hudson) Dyess, both formerly of Elba; cousins, Melinda, Teesha, and Corrin Lee; Chris and Brandie Summerlin of Elba; Bridgett Smith of Opp; her mother, Leta P. Powers of Enterprise; and grandmother Mollie S. Spurlin of Elba; her great aunt, Mary Alice Lee of Elba; and her sister, Anna-Beth. Grandparents are James and Lisa Dyess and uncle, John Dyess of Opp also helped celebrate. Other friends that enjoyed the occasion were Ann and Hunter Owens; Andy, Tammy, Lauren, and Amber Peacock of Montgomery.

MaChis Lower Creek Indian Tribe will hold meeting Sunday, July 9th

The MaChis Lower Creek Indian Tribe will hold a meeting Sunday, July 9, 1995 at 2:00 p.m., at the Tribal Office, 708 S. John St. in New Brockton, AL. Bring a chair. The money for low income energy assistance has arrived. The following items are needed: proof of income, Social Security numbers for all household members, light bill, disability statement from your physician.

Social Notes

Piland-Brazelton united in marriage June 15th

Kathy Holmes Brazelton and Fred Piland were united in marriage on June 15, 1995 at 9:00 a.m. in the beautiful Smoky Mountains of Tennessee.

Families of the couple are Miss Jessica Brazelton, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell Sasser, Mr. Otha Ross, Miss Kim Piland of Cedar Grove, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Piland, Sabrina and Megan Piland of Lowery, and the late Ted Piland of Cedar Grove, Alabama.

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Mr. and Mrs. Doug Greer of Chocoma, AL, announce the birth of their daughter, Ashley Marie, on June 5, 1995. Ashley weighed 7 lbs. 15 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Linda Padgett Greer of Elba, AL, and Larry Greer of Chocoma, AL, and Robert and Sheila Michaels, also of Chocoma, AL.

Proud great-grandparents are Lenn and Sybil Padgett of Elba, AL.

Bethany Lynn Dyess celebrates third birthday

The Bridge Brook Farms home of Jennifer and Tim Dyess in Montgomery was decorated with a Barney motif for the June 10, 1995 celebration of the third birthday of their daughter, Bethany Lynn Dyess. For the occasion Bethany wore an outfit which featured Barney's colors and symbols. The festive theme of the party was enhanced with purple, green, blue and pink balloons, and Barney favors. All Bethany's younger guests were given Barney hats to wear for the party. The activities were centered around the backyard grill where banners were used to announce "Happy Birthday, Bethany". After a lunch designed to capture the appetite and imagination of the younger set, a special treat was in store for the guests. The birthday cake was a delicious rendition of a Barney cake. The cake was shaped like, color like, and tasted like Barney (if one had the right imagination). After enjoying the cake, Bethany opened many presents from her guests.

The party journeyed to the nearby home of Bethany's great aunt and uncle, Nan and Grover Jacobs, where she and her guests were again greeted with banners and balloons announcing the birthday. The younger guests and some of those not so young, enjoyed a cool swim in the spacious pool, which had been decorated with Barney colored balloons.

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Preston Lance Chambers-Walden celebrate 2nd birthday

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Pictured L to R: Mrs. Laura Barker, Mrs. Nellie Martin and Mrs. Pearl Moseley.

Ladies honored with birthday celebration

These three octogenarians, Mrs. Pearl Barker Moseley, Mrs. Laura Smith Barker, and Mrs. Nellie Barker Martin, were honored recently by the Elba Public Library for their families with a birthday party. The Elba Public Library lent its stately design and many conveniences, along with many pretty party accessories in floral designs and lace table linens.

Three decorative cakes held a place of prominence that added to the artistic decor.

Four attractive young ladies, Anissa Funder of Woodland Grove Community, Connie Russell of Tampa, Florida, Mark's special friend, and Jane and Melissa Williams of Valley, Alabama, Michael's special friends, gave their time at the serving tables.

Mrs. Regina Sauls was at the piano, and oh, how the music fit the occasion.

For our gratitude and love, we want to thank Dale, Gloria, Toni, Junell, Michael, Mark, Kim, and Clint for everything. The party was super! We honor her 102 years of public service in teaching and insurance employment.

We trust that every action of our lives has touched on some chord that will vibrate in eternity. For it is not the years in your life, but the life in your years that counts.

TSU announces spring graduates

Troy State University Chancellor Dr. Jack Hawkins Jr. conferred 485 associated degrees in nursing degrees, bachelor's degrees, and master's degrees Friday, June 2 during TSU's 108th annual spring commencement.

State Sen. Wendell Mitchell delivered the commencement address, and Columbus, GA businessman and builder Ray Wright received an honorary doctor of laws degree from the TSU board of trustees.

Local graduates are:

Bachelor's Degree - James Elwin Grimes Jr., Social Science Education, AL.

Master's Degree - Kelley Lee Wiggins, all of Elba, AL; David Joseph McCrom, Business Admin., and Management, and Lori Grimsdale McCrom, Math Education, both of Jack, AL.

Local graduates are:

Bachelor's Degree - James Elwin Grimes Jr., Social Science Education, AL.

Mustard Seed News

The Senior Citizens held their present. The seniors were entertained by having fellowship and they were: Mary Seavey, Mattie playing domino's. The seniors which Lou Goodson, Pauline Wood, Francis Shaboo, Johnny Wood, James Cole and vision, Frances Grissett. The church is located on Coffee McCollough, Zealon and Evelyn Smith, Sammie and Inez Wambles. Diane Hudson was the only helper 2453.

Area students listed on the University of AL Dean's & President's List

A total of 2,470 students enrolled during the spring 1995 term at the University of Alabama made the Dean's List with academic records of 3.50 (4.0 scale) or above, or the President's List (all A's), Dr. James Taaffe, provost and academic vice-president, announced.

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Round & About With Eria 897-2006

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The July luncheon for the Wiregrass Christian Women's Club will be held Wednesday, July 12 from 11:30 to 1:30 p.m. in Enterprise.

The "Storybook Affair" luncheon will feature the "Daring Dolls" of Kay Ford, doll maker extraordinaire. Jan and Catherine Lusk, in an enchanting duet will present "It's a Small World" for mom and daughter alike. From fantasy to reality, Patti Motta, a real doll from Dothan, AL, will have a story that will encourage moms and daughters of all ages.

Reservations for this luncheon are essential before Monday, July 10. Please call Vivian at 888-2533 or Amelia at 347-9084 to make your reservations.

A nursery for preschoolers is provided by reservation only.

The Wiregrass Christian Women's Club has no dues or membership. Everyone is invited to attend this special event for moms and daughters.

Country Cathedral to have Gospel Singing July 7th

There will be a gospel singing on Friday, July 7, 1995 at the Country Cathedral. The church is located on U.S. Hwy. 84 East between Opp and Elba. Featured groups will be the Whisnauts, the Williamson Family, and the Dyess Family. The singing will be in the Family Life Center, and will start at 7:30 p.m. No admission charged. Everyone is invited to attend.

Enterprise Assembly of God to have guest speaker on July 9th

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ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST - Bill Beck, Minister
Bible Study 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 10:00 a.m.
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ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH - J. L. Gray
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.

THE SHEPHERD'S FOLD CHURCH OF GOD - Lamar Dean
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH - Paul Nelson
Morn. Worship 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY - J. E. Wesley
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE - Jimmy Porter
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.

ELBA FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Billy J. Reed
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - Rev. Andrew Smith
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 7:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. 6:15 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Al Moore
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Youth Choir Prg. 5:00 p.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
MYF 7:00 p.m.

ELBA BAPTIST CHURCH - Bernard Burkhead
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.

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Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.

HARIS TEMPLE COCH - Pastor W. R. Elice
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
1st, 2nd, & 3rd Sundays

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH - J. R. Parker - Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
1st, 2nd, & 3rd Sundays

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST - Greg Bentley - Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.

MT. ZION HOLINESS - Jimmy Bryan - Minister
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Tues. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH - Wayne Webber
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Tues. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Tony Deal
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.

MILBERRY HOLY CHURCH OF CHRIST - R. & W. Williams
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Class 6:30 p.m.

MUSTARD SEED FOUNDATION - Mary Seavey
Sunday Morning Services 10:30 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DELIVERANCE - Heron, Linda Williams
Sunday 10 & 11 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

NEW BROCKTON METHODIST - Bob McKee
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH - Campbell Sasser
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH - Tony Dye
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
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WHITETOWER BAPTIST CHURCH - Danny Maddox
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

WISDOM MILBERRY CHURCH OF CHRIST - Kenneth Hager
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.

WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST - Sabrina Woods
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH - W. R. Parker
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

ZION COMMUNITY CHURCH - Richard and Pat Jones
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evn. Service 6:00 p.m.
Thursday Serv. 7:00 p.m.

Christian Women's Club to meet in Enterprise July 7th

The July luncheon for the Wiregrass Christian Women's Club will be held Wednesday, July 12 from 11:30 to 1:30 p.m. in Enterprise.

The "Storybook Affair" luncheon will feature the "Daring Dolls" of Kay Ford, doll maker extraordinaire. Jan and Catherine Lusk, in an enchanting duet will present "It's a Small World" for mom and daughter alike. From fantasy to reality, Patti Motta, a real doll from Dothan, AL, will have a story that will encourage moms and daughters of all ages.

Reservations for this luncheon are essential before Monday, July 10. Please call Vivian at 888-2533 or Amelia at 347-9084 to make your reservations.

A nursery for preschoolers is provided by reservation only.

The Wiregrass Christian Women's Club has no dues or membership. Everyone is invited to attend this special event for moms and daughters.

Country Cathedral to have Gospel Singing July 7th

There will be a gospel singing on Friday, July 7, 1995 at the Country Cathedral. The church is located on U.S. Hwy. 84 East between Opp and Elba. Featured groups will be the Whisnauts, the Williamson Family, and the Dyess Family. The singing will be in the Family Life Center, and will start at 7:30 p.m. No admission charged. Everyone is invited to attend.

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Views from....

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Melanie has refused to take swimming lessons since she was three-years-old, but with the help of friends of her older sister and her own courage, has taught herself to be a pretty good little swimmer. She has always been afraid of the deep; however, and we have never really worried about her getting in over her head. That fear will now change, since last week she went to the Elba pool and actually jumped off the high dive. The fact that Melanie jumped into 12-feet of water was bad enough, but the fact she jumped off a 10-meter board into 12-feet of water is even worse. No more relaxing at the pool when Melanie is around!

ELBA GIRLS BRING HOME STATE TITLE

The All-Star Sports and Graphics girls softball team rolled back into town Sunday morning showing off their "State Champion" t-shirts and medals after making an ultra-successful trip to Huntsville for the 1995 National Softball Association State Softball Tournament.

The Elba team was one of over 70 teams entered in the various age divisions in the state tournament, and appeared to be in over its head as it had to compete against teams from such larger cities as Hokes Bluff, Cullman and Arab. The Elba girls got out of the cars hitting early Saturday morning; however, and by the time the journey ended the Elba girls had pounded out 11 wins and scored 89 runs in only four games, enroute to winning the state championship.

The All-Star Sports team had earlier in the summer placed third in the prestigious Capitol City Classic, in Tallahassee, and no doubt the experience gained by competing in such tournaments paid off for the girls up in Huntsville.

To win a state championship in any sport, at any level, is quite an accomplishment, and the girls and their supporters are to be congratulated for winning the state championship and representing Elba so well, so far from home. GREAT JOB!!!!

COACHING CHANGES AROUND IN AREA

The summer is always a busy time for coaches and this summer has certainly been one to remember as a number of coaches have changed jobs. Here's a short list....

***HARRISON MIMS** has been named the new head basketball coach at Elba High and word is that the Tigers have a class act for their new coach. Coach Mims formerly coached at Andalusia and is said to be a firm disciplinarian. He will inherit a solid team, and should be able to help the Tigers move up on the ladder.

***GARY GLASS** has left Elba after three years and has accepted a position at Kinston. Coach Glass was a standout at Kinston in all sports, and should be a valuable member of the Bulldog family.

***SHAYNE WARDEN** has been named as the new head football coach at Opp and will replace Paul Wooley, who moved over to the private school ranks. Warden has been very successful in his early days as a high school coach at Georgiana, and should be just what the doctor ordered for the Bulldogs.

***PAUL CURTIS** has returned to Enterprise and will head up the Enterprise Wildcats basketball program. Sam Weeks had been the head man for the Wildcats for years, but stepped down in the spring and Curtis, the former Dauphin Junior and Eufaula head coach, took the job. Look for the Wildcats' program to take off under Curtis!

JULY 6	JULY 7	JULY 8	JULY 9
ELBA Team A 5:30 GAME 1 OPP Team B Andalusia Team C 8:00 GAME 2 Brundidge Team D	Winner 1 3:00 GAME 1 Andalusia Team C 8:00 GAME 2 Brundidge Team D	Winner 4 100 GAME 5 Andalusia Team C 8:00 GAME 2 Brundidge Team D	Winner 6 200 GAME 7 Necessary

Babe Ruth tourney set for Andalusia

The 1995 Babe Ruth Baseball District 8 13-15 year-old Baseball Tournament will swing into action this week when four teams compete in Andalusia.

Andalusia will host the double-elimination tourney, with Elba, Opp and Brundidge rounding out

the field. The tournament will begin Thursday at 5:30, with Elba meeting Opp, to be followed at 8:00 with the battle between Andalusia and Brundidge.

The winners of the two Thursday games will be held on Friday at

Friday at 5:30. The loser of the 5:30 game will then meet the winner of the 8:00 game, with the game set to begin at 8:00.

A 1:00 game will be held on Saturday, with an if necessary game set for Sunday at 2:00.

Elba to host seven-team Dixie Minor tournament

Elba's Legion Field will be the place to be this week as the Elba Department of Parks and Recreation hosts the 1995 Dixie Minor Sub-District 1 Baseball Tournament.

The tourney will begin Thursday night at 4:00 when Lurven meets Brundidge, to be followed at 6:00 with a clash between the Troy Americans and Highland Home. Elba will swing into action at 8:00 when it meets the Troy Nationals.

The Greenville Americans will begin Friday at 4:00 when it meets the winner of the Troy Americans-Highland Home game, and at 6:00 it will be the winner of the Lurven-Brundidge game meeting the winner of the Troy National-Elba contest.

The Lurven-Brundidge loser will then meet the Troy National-Elba game at 8:00.

Three games are also on tap for Friday, with starting times at 4:00, 6:00 and 8:00, while on Saturday

night a double-header will have games at 5:30 and 8:00.

Finals games will be held on Monday and Tuesday, with each

DIXIE MINOR BASEBALL
SUB-DISTRICT 1 TOURNAMENT
JULY 6-12 ELBA, ALABAMA

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Andalusia Team A 5:30 GAME 1 Lurven Team B Brundidge Team C 8:00 GAME 2 Highland Home Team D	Winner 1 6:00 GAME 3 Lurven Team B 8:00 GAME 4 Highland Home Team D	Winner 2 8:00 GAME 5 Lurven Team B 8:00 GAME 4 Highland Home Team D	Winner 3 4:00 GAME 6 Lurven Team B 8:00 GAME 4 Highland Home Team D	Winner 4 8:00 GAME 7 Lurven Team B 8:00 GAME 4 Highland Home Team D	Winner 5 7:00 GAME 8 Lurven Team B 8:00 GAME 4 Highland Home Team D	Winner 6 7:00 GAME 9 Lurven Team B 8:00 GAME 4 Highland Home Team D

Dixie Youth All-Stars to compete in Samson

The Elba Dixie Youth All-Stars will begin tournament play this weekend when they travel to Samson to compete in the Dixie Youth Sub-District 3 Tournament.

Six teams will compete in the double-elimination event, including Samson, Elba, Geneva, Hartford, Enterprise Americans and En-

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Sports

All-Star Sports wins girls NSA State softball championship



1995 NSA STATE CHAMPIONS...Members of the 1995 All-Star Sports and Graphics softball team that won the Girls 12 and Under State softball championship last weekend include (kneeling, l-r) Lauren Suley, LeAnna Suley, Devri Kilcrease, Rachel Bludworth, Melissa Mularz and Haylee Coleman. (Standing, l-r) Manager Ricky Mularz, Amy Kirkland, Amanda Edwards, Coach Reb Bludworth, Michelle Lewis, Roshanda McKinnon, Aubretta Williams, Coach Roben Edwards and Oneida Davis.

and Devri Kilcrease, but then watched as Hokes Bluff rallied and pulled within 14-13 in the top of the sixth. All-Star answered the challenge; however, and scored 11 runs in the bottom of the inning on the strength of 12 hits to end the game on the 12-run rule.

Amanda Edwards got 4 hits, including 2 home-runs, to lead All-Star at the plate, while Haylee Coleman also added 4 hits; Rachel Bludworth and Melissa Mularz both added 3; and Amy Kirkland, Roshanda McKinnon, Michelle Lewis, Devri Kilcrease and Lauren Suley all added 2.

All-Star Sports and Graphics pulled within 11-8 in the bottom of the sixth, but All-Star again answered the challenge and scored five runs in the seventh to regain command and claim the win.

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All-Star came out swinging the bats, and behind the hitting of Aubretta Williams, who ripped a double and a grand-slam home-run, jumped out to a whopping 15-0 lead after only two innings. The

DIXIE YOUTH BASEBALL
SUB-DISTRICT 3 TOURNAMENT
JULY 8-14 SAMSON, ALABAMA

JULY 8	JULY 9	JULY 10	JULY 11	JULY 12	JULY 13	JULY 14
Elba Team A 5:30 GAME 1 Lurven Team B Brundidge Team C 8:00 GAME 2 Highland Home Team D	Winner 1 6:00 GAME 3 Lurven Team B 8:00 GAME 4 Highland Home Team D	Winner 2 8:00 GAME 5 Lurven Team B 8:00 GAME 4 Highland Home Team D	Winner 3 4:00 GAME 6 Lurven Team B 8:00 GAME 4 Highland Home Team D	Winner 4 8:00 GAME 7 Lurven Team B 8:00 GAME 4 Highland Home Team D	Winner 5 7:00 GAME 8 Lurven Team B 8:00 GAME 4 Highland Home Team D	Winner 6 7:00 GAME 9 Lurven Team B 8:00 GAME 4 Highland Home Team D

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County Youth Win Big In Livestock Judging

Stan Windham, County Agent

Each year a large number of young people from around Coffee County participate in 4-H Livestock Judging Competition. This year nineteen young people from around Coffee County will participate in livestock judging activities and nine young people from across the county will participate in meat judging activities.

This year, those participating in 4-H livestock judging were: Michael Hines, Matt Windham, Alex Schiefer, Ashley Green, Selwyn Musser, Devin Kelley, Charlie Schiefer, Heath Hughes, and Brandon White, all of New Brockton; Lee Kelley, Elizabeth Farris, and Matthew Farris, all of Elba; Dillon Parrish, Lynn Parrish, Grace Varney, Amanda

Britt, Christa Parrish, and Charles Michaels, all of Enterprise; and Jeremie Bryan of Kinston. In the senior division there were two teams from Coffee County entered with one placing second and the other third. In the junior division three teams were entered with one placing first and the other third.

Livestock judging involves placing a class of animals such as beef heifers from best to worst and usually there are only four to a class. This requires a good bit of decision making ability and the participants must learn what to look for and what constitutes a good animal from one that is correct. In addition on two to four of the classes they must give an oral set of reasons. This is where

each participant must defend their placing in the class. There is a set format that they must use in order to do this.

In the contests there were several individual winners and high individual scorers. Matthew Farris was fourth high in the senior division; Christa Parrish was fifth high; Charles Michaels sixth high; and Amanda Britt seventh. In high individual reason scores: Amanda Britt was second high overall and Matthew Farris was fourth high. In placing scores: Jeremie Bryan was third high overall, Christa Parrish was fourth high overall, and Charles Michaels was fifth high overall.

In the junior division high individual total scores: Michael Hines

was second high, Matt Windham was third high, Dillon Parrish was fourth high, Alex Schiefer eighth high and Lynn Parrish ninth. High individual reason scores: Matt Windham second high; Dillon Parrish third high; Lee Kelly fourth high; and Alex Schiefer fifth high overall in the contest. High individual placing scores: Michael Hines first high; Matt Windham third high; Dillon Parrish eighth high and Lynn Parrish ninth high overall. In the junior contest, there were forty participants and twenty in the senior contest.

Congratulations to these young people from Coffee County who represented their area so well at the District Competition in Auburn. They will be going back in July after qualifying for State competition to try and win the state championship. In statewide competition, in order to go to state you must qualify by placing in the top three at the District Competition.

If you have a young person you think would be interested in becoming involved in some of these 4-H activities that we have, please feel free to give me a call at 894-5596. I will be glad to try and get you involved. I have found after writing many recommendations for young people for college and various other award winning situations, that leadership clubs such as 4-H weigh very heavily on job applications, college admission forms, etc. Don't wait around get your young person involved in a project such as this.

Take The Bite Out Of Your Summer

Richard Petcher, Assoc. County Agent

Over the last several weeks we have had numerous calls concerning fire ants. I hope this article answers some of your questions.

Last week, one gentleman told me that he had suffered from a fall. It was over an hour before anyone came to help him. Besides his back being injured, his major suffering was from bites from fire ants. Another gentleman had one of his calves die from fire ants. This calf was born in a fire ant nest. However, fire ants are not too big a problem except for the minor stings that most of us get.

Alabama's claim to fame is that red imported fire ants first came to America through the port of Mobile in the early 1930s. In the 1960's, armadillos migrated here from Texas. They eat fire ants. However, they too are a menace.

Generally, fire ants can be eliminated on a site at any given time; the problem is that reinfestation from surrounding, unmanaged areas can not be prevented. In fact, once fire ants and other predatory insects, including other ants, are eliminated from a site, reinfestation can occur without competition. Anything that disturbs the colony usually causes the fire ants to relocate.

There are two ways to treat ants - either by chemical or cultural control. And you can either spot treat or broadcast. When you visit a farm store, you find there are many chemicals for ants. The chemical treatments include dusts, granules, bait, drench, injection, and fumigation.

The dust treatment of mounds should be done in the mid to late afternoon. Apply when the soil is not too wet or too dry and it is not expected to rain for 24 hours.

The granular formulations are applied by sprinkling a measured amount of insecticide granules on or around the mound.

The baits should not be confused with granular insecticides. Although baits have a food covering that makes them attractive to the ants. The insecticides in them are slow acting, allowing the worker ants to take the bait back to the other ants and eventually the queen. Baits usually work better to eliminate the entire colony. Mid to late day applications of baits are more effective because ants are out foraging then.

Drenches are another type of formulation of insecticides. These require mixing the insecticide in water and pouring it into the mound.

Another method is to use mound injections. These are done with aerosol containers provided with injection rods. The rod is inserted into the ground and the insecticide is released.

Another method is mound fumigation. In this case the undiluted liquid is poured into the mound. The liquid sinks into the ground because it is heavier than air and vaporizes and this kills the ants.

I have heard of several other non-chemical remedies for controlling fire ants. The most famous of these is grubs. Supposedly, the ants eat the grubs and this swells in their stomachs and they burst. I don't have any research to document this recommendation, but supposedly it works. Another method is to pour hot boiling water onto the mound. About two gallons of boiling water does the job. Another method is to simply mix the ants from two mounds. Anyone you stir a mound, it does cause the ants to relocate. Frequent stirring of an ant mound seems to reduce the population. Close mowing your lawn or bushhogging in your pasture also helps. Gasoline will reduce the ants also, but of course gasoline is not labeled for this use and will kill the grass. One older timer told me that you sprinkle a meal in your garden, this will eliminate ants. According to an organic garden book, the plant tansy can be grown to repel ants and a spray solution from coriander will also repel ants.

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ATTENTION FARMERS

There will be a Farmers Market every Saturday during the growing season.

Farmers are invited to bring their excess produce to the square in downtown Elba.

Parking will be made available inside the courthouse square.

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Farmer's Co-Op Market Report

Reported by Alabama & U.S. Dept. of Agriculture
Ronnie Vaughan - (205) 897-6053

June 28 & 29, 1995

ELBA MARKET	Cattle & Calves	Hogs
Salable Receipts (Est.).....	200	274
Week Ago (Actual).....	220	464
Year Ago (Actual).....	18	298

OPP MARKET	Cattle & Calves	Hogs
Salable Receipts (Est.).....	500	0
Week Ago (Actual).....	492	0
Year Ago (Actual).....	330	0

BREAKDOWN

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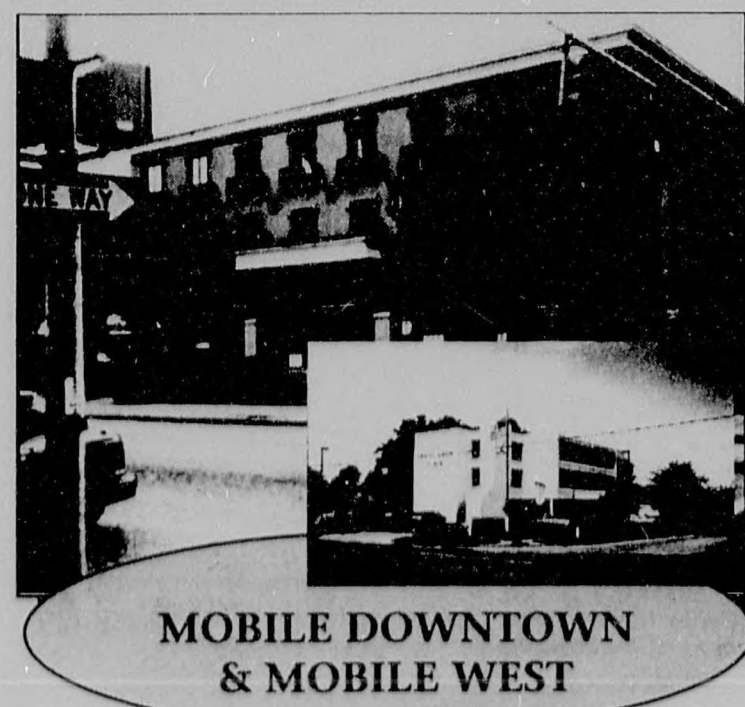
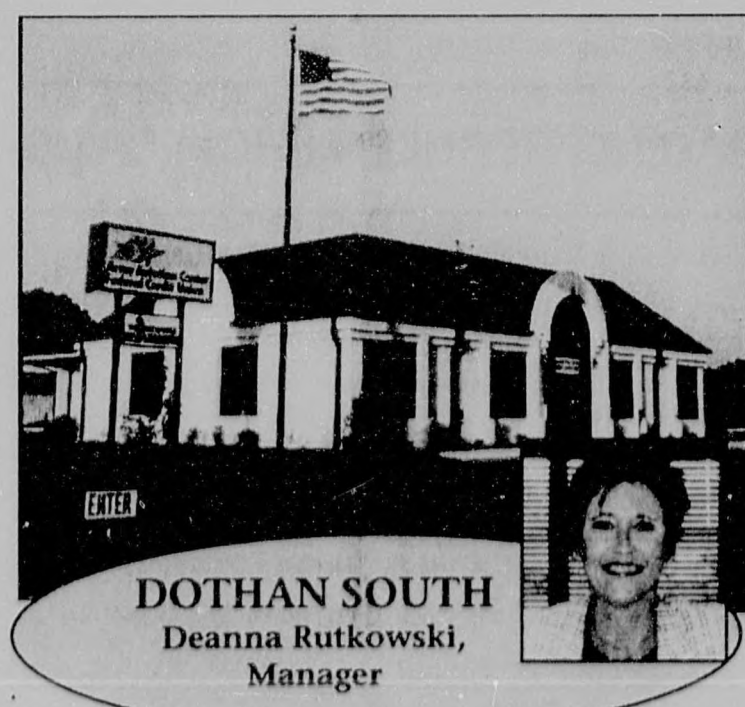
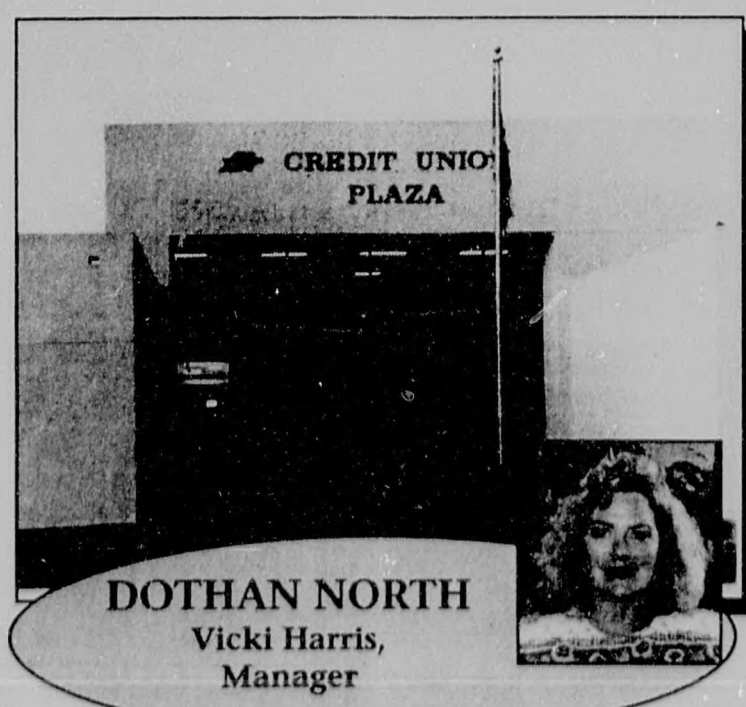
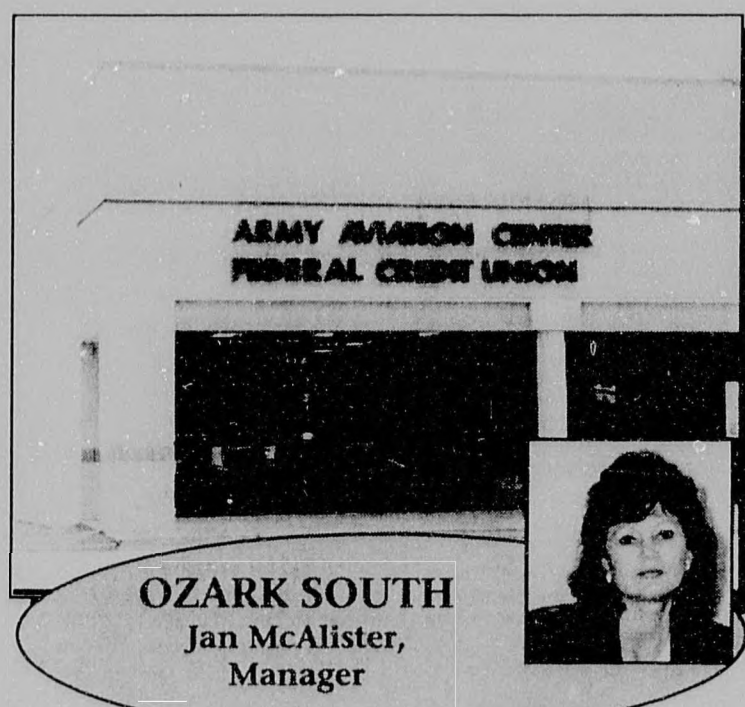
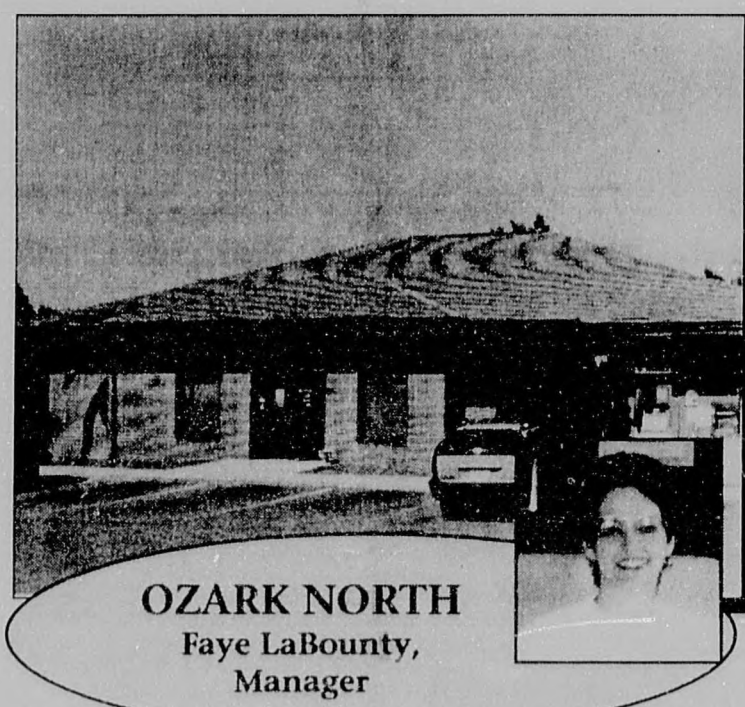
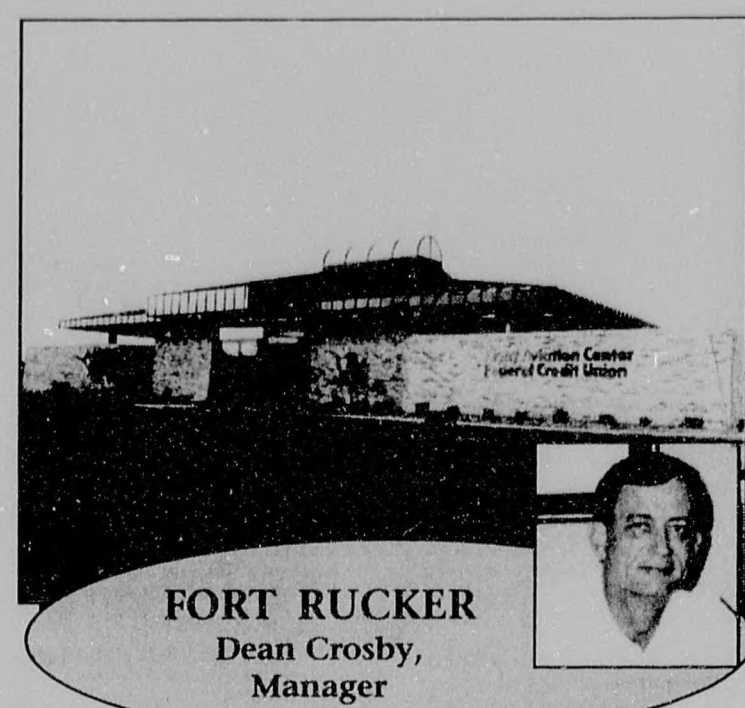
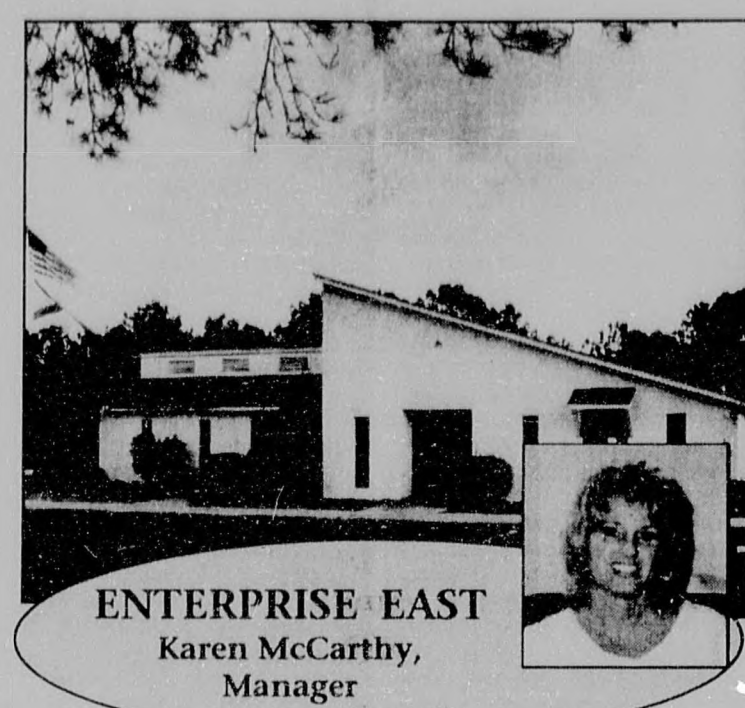
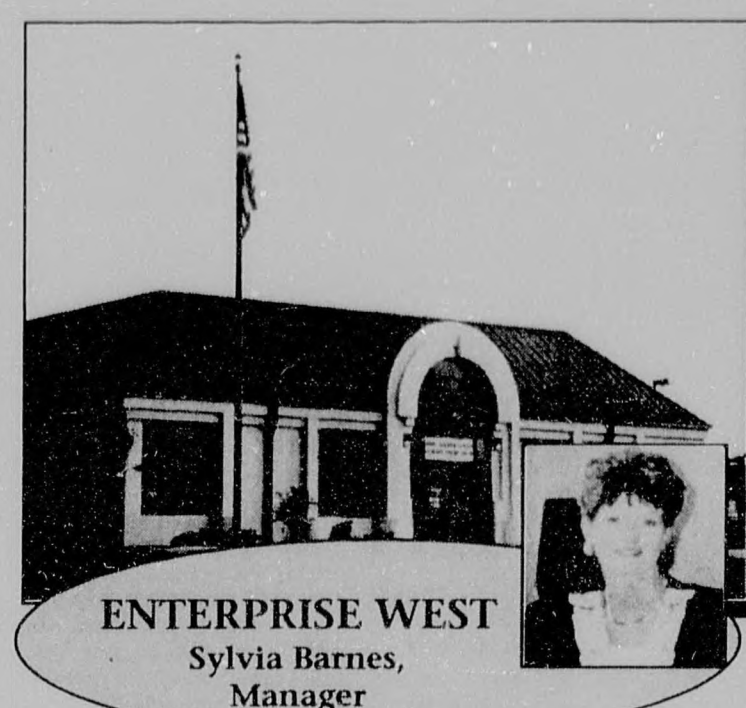
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SENTENCE COULD BE UP TO 10 YEARS IN PRISON

Elba woman arrested in bomb threat case

by Marvin McLwain
Editor

The Elba police have arrested an Elba woman in connection to the recent bomb threats at Hardee's and Elba General Hospital and Nursing Home.

According to Investigator Doug Weeks, Carolyn Taylor, age 49, of Elba, has been charged with rendering a false alarm, a Class C felony; and falsely reporting an incident, a Class A misdemeanor.

The arrest resulted from threats causing response from several agencies including an explosive disposal unit from the U. S. Army on May 26, 1995, to Elba General Hospital and Nursing Home where approximately one hundred persons were evacuated.

The break in the investigation of the above incident came on Saturday, June 11, when police answered a complaint at Hardee's concerning a bomb threat.

Through a computer print out furnished by the telephone company, police were led to the Taylor residence. After several hours of questioning, Mrs. Taylor admitted to the Hardee's incident and to making the call to Elba General Hospital.

Mrs. Taylor surrendered to authorities Tuesday morning after a 9:30 a.m. mental competency hearing at the Elba Courthouse.

She was transported to the Coffee County Jail under bonds totaling \$6,000.00.

Elba Police Chief Maxwell

Hooks praised the members of this department for the "good police work" in solving this crime and the time frame within which it was accomplished.

"This type crime [bomb threat] is one that so many times goes in the unsolved column. This one did not," said Chief Hooks.

Several months ago, Elba Police were also successful in solving a similar crime in which a bomb threat was made to Dorsey Trailers. Callers should beware - they will be caught! If found guilty of a Class C felony, Taylor could be sentenced from 1 year and a day to 10 years in prison and/or a fine of up to \$5,000.00. No preliminary hearing date has been set at this time.



NEW OFFICERS... The Elba Rotary Club recently elected new officers for 1995-96. Pictured above are: Myrna Cowen, vice-president; Kenneth Calhoun, president; and Linda Mills, secretary & treasurer.

MEETING BRIEF AND TO THE POINT

New Brockton's council meeting routine

by Marvin McLwain
Editor

New Brockton's town council meeting proved to be a routine one, lasting just over thirty minutes.

Several matters that were on the night's agenda were continued until the next meeting.

The town's attorney, Joe Sawyer, is reviewing the garbage contract and the vicious animal ordinance. He advised the council, via of Mayor Kathryn Holley, that he should be able to advise the council on both matters at the next meeting on August 7th.

Council members received some good news - the Vester Cole lawsuit dealing with workman's compensation has been settled. The settlement was in the amount of \$8,000.00.

Mayor Holley did not know, at this time, how much the town's share of the \$8,000 would be.

Police Chief Charles Driggers reported to the council that his department had answered 7 complaints, investigated one automobile accident, issued 30 traffic citations and made 10 criminal arrests.

The rescue squad responded to 19 calls, while the fire department answered 5 fire alarms.

Chief Driggers told council members that his department would be hosting a seminar conducted by representatives from the criminal justice system.

The session will be dealing with report writing. Other departments - Enterprise, Elba, Level Plains, and Clayhatchee - have been invited to attend.

The council gave its approval for Officer Holloway to attend intoxication school. The cost is \$75.

Mayor Holley informed the council that the town has entered into a cooperative agreement with Auburn University.

Under the terms of the agreement, the town has received computer equipment from Auburn which will allow access to the community electronic bulletin board.

According to Holley, through the use of the system information may be obtained which will allow the town to apply for grants from state and federal agencies.

At the close of the meeting, Little Miss New Brockton Callet White appeared before the council with a request.

She asked for the council's help in financing a float upon which she will be riding in the National Peanut Festival Parade in Dothan.

Mayor Holley explained that the town could not provide any funds, but if she would remain after the meeting, members of the council would more than likely make a contribution to the cause.

Other items of business addressed by the council were as follows:

***Paid bills totaling \$3,492.65.

***Denied request from Debra Wood to exempt her from payment of March and April garbage fees and late charges in the amount of \$19.11.

***Approved disconnecting or placing on vacation status the telephone in the recreation department.

by Marvin McLwain
Editor

Coffee County Commission meeting in regular session Monday, approved a resurfacing plan for three county roads. Also, the commission, or rather five commissioners, signed a consent decree on the Enterprise Courthouse lawsuit. This action took place behind closed doors!

During the June 22nd meeting, County Engineer Randy Tindell presented commissioners with seven options on what roads could be resurfaced using federal funds.

Tindell explained to the commissioners that he had reviewed the county's paved roads (those that qualify for federal funding) and that he had prepared the different plans composed of roads in the most need of repair.

He also reminded them that only \$490,000.00 was available for the resurfacing projects.

Although the commissioners had two weeks to study the different plans, they could not readily agree on a plan Monday morning.

Commissioner Wendell Black, after asking Tindell which plan he recommended, made a motion that plan "H" be accepted. Commissioner Bernest Brooks seconded Black's motion, but it was defeated by a 5-2 vote.

Commissioner Robert Stephens voiced his opinion that the commissioners should vote on all the options, and that the one receiving the most votes should be followed.

Commissioner Wendell Black stated that he felt the commission should follow the recommendation of the engineer.

"We've got a professional engineer that is supposed to know what he is doing. I hope he does! And, the roads in plan H are grading the lowest and if we're not going to surface the roads that have the highest traffic impact - I don't know what we're paying him for!" said Black.

Later, after signing bills and a long "private session," commissioners agreed on a resurfacing plan - a new one.

The new plan involves three roads. They are as follows: County Road 617 will be resurfaced from Co. Rd. 636 to Co. Rd. 606; County Road 367 (Taylor Mill Road) will be resurfaced from AL 203 (Elba Bypass) to AL Hwy. 141; and County Road 105 will be resurfaced from Co. Rd. 107 to 114.

During the general business session, Commissioner Stephens eluded to a pending lawsuit against the county which contends that the Enterprise Courthouse is not accessible to handicapped persons and does not meet ADA (American Disability Act) standards.

Several weeks ago, commissioners, along with their lawyers, met with the plaintiff's attorney and a federal judge in Montgomery, in an attempt to reach an agreement.

Monday morning, during an extended break in the regular commission meeting, commissioners, along with their attorney, reviewed the

consent decree which evolved from the meeting in Montgomery. Although the terms of the decree are not available to the public - at this time - five commissioners signed the consent decree while two, Commissioners Stephen and Black, did not.

Stephens felt that the county had taken all necessary steps to bring the Enterprise Courthouse in compliance with the ADA standards. The one exception being lowering the counters in the offices. Work was halted after the lawsuit was brought against the county.

It was noted by Stephens that all of the renovations were made - to both courthouses - based on plans drawn up by two architects (one is a handicapped person).

Also, the county held seminars for all county employees to advise them on what should be done to assist handicapped persons wishing to transact business in any county facility.

"We (the county) are willing to do whatever is necessary to make both courthouses accessible to all handicapped persons," said Stephens.

Last meeting, a committee was appointed to further study the adoption of a drug policy for the county. Tindell reported that the committee had met and its recommendation was that the county continue as it has in the past with one exception. That being, that all CDL (Commercial Driver's License) holders be tested for drugs as required by DOT (Department of Transportation) regulations.

The recommendation received a motion and second, but after several minutes of discussion, the motion was tabled until the next meeting.

The county's attorney, Kenneth Fuller, is to get with Tindell and further review the drug policy before a final decision is made.

NOTICE

THE CITY OF ELBA WATER AND ELECTRIC BOARD HAS ISSUED A STATEMENT THAT CITIZENS OF ELBA NEED TO CONSERVE THE WATER USAGE WITHIN THE HOUSEHOLD. THE PUMP ON ONE OF THE CITY'S WELLS IS HAVING TO BE REPLACED. THEREFORE THE WELL WILL BE OFF-LINE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. OFFICIALS HAVE ALSO STATED THAT CITIZENS SHOULD NOT WATER THEIR LAWNS DUE TO THE STRAIN THAT WOULD BE PLACED ON THE REMAINING WELLS IN OPERATION. ANYONE HAVING QUESTIONS SHOULD CALL CITY HALL AT 897-2261.



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BUSINESS AFTER HOURS. The Elba Chamber of Commerce Quarterly "Business After Hours" Meeting will be held Thursday, July 20, 1995, at 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizen's Center. All members are urged to attend and bring a prospective member. Refreshments by Home Care Services and door prizes by Maddox Signs and Engraving. A guest speaker is scheduled.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING RESCHEDULED. The Elba City Council will meet Thursday (TODAY), July 13, at 7:00 p.m. in the council's chamber located in Elba City Hall.

WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD MEETING. The City of Elba Water & Electric Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday (TODAY), July 13, at 6:00 p.m. in the council chamber at city hall.

D.A.R.E. CAMP COMING SOON. The Elba City Schools and Elba Police department will sponsor the annual D.A.R.E. Camp. This year's event will be held on July 17 - 20 and July 24 - 27 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Elba High School. Children who plan to attend must be students of the city's school system and be in grades 3 through 5. Camp activities will include workshops, games, sporting events, and field trips.